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Gonolobus condurango

[Synonyms : *Marsdenia condurango*]

CONDURANGO is an evergreen vine. Native to Ecuador and Peru it has off-white flowers. It is also known as Condor vine and Eagle vine.

Warning – large doses or overdoses of the bark are poisonous. They can cause convulsions, paralysis, disturbed vision and vertigo.

Medicinally, in the past there has been the suggestion that the plant can help treat early stages of some cancers. In South America it has been used locally as a remedy for syphilis. In the West generally it can be used for treating anorexia and stomach ailments.